

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, as amended remain herein. Claims 3, 6 and 9-15 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 16 and 17 have been added.

1. Claims 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e) over Koo '161. Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, “a media controller for... receiving an instruction from the external device, shifting from the power saving mode of operation to the normal mode of operation in accordance with the received instruction form the external device.” Koo '161 fails to disclose or suggest Applicants' claimed media controller for receiving an instruction from the external device. At most, Koo '161 generally states that the power consumption state of the system is changed based on the current change indication signal from the drive (see Koo '161, col. 1, lines 55-60; col. 3, lines 13-24).

Thus, Koo '161 does not disclose all elements of Applicants' claimed invention and therefore is not a proper basis for a rejection under § 102. Nor does Koo '161 suggest Applicants' claimed invention. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection, and allowance of claim 1 is respectfully requested.

2. Claims 1, 4 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) over Atkinson '983. Claims 1, 4 and 7 each recites, *inter alia*, “a media controller for... receiving an instruction from the external device, shifting from the power saving mode of operation to the normal mode of operation in accordance with the received instruction form the external device.” Atkinson '983 fails to disclose or suggest the media controller recited in claims 1, 4 and 7. Atkinson '983 only generally describes that the “system could wake up upon an opening of

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the CD-drive tray.” (see Atkinson ’983, col. 8, lines 20-29).

Thus, Atkinson ’983 does not disclose all elements of Applicants’ claimed invention and therefore is not a proper basis for a rejection under § 102. Nor does Atkinson ’983 suggest Applicants’ claimed invention. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection and allowance of claims 1, 4 and 7 are respectfully requested.

Accordingly, this application is now fully in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. The PTO is hereby authorized to charge/credit any fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-4293 (Order No. 28951.5512). If further amendments would place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is invited to call applicants’ undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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